

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Koichi Furusawa et al.

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For: OPTICAL MULTIPLEXER/DEMULTIPLEXER AND MANUFACTURING METHOD FOR  
OPTICAL  
MULTIPLEXER/DEMULTIPLEXER

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Examiner: V. Patel

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the election of species requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 30, 2008, Applicant elects Species (A) according to first embodiment of Figures 2-16, on which claims 1-7, 14-20, 23, 24, and 28-35 read, without traverse for continued examination. Applicant submits that claim 1 is generic to species (A)-(N) because claim 1 is directed to a optical multiplexer/demultiplexer having plurality of wavelength selecting elements, a transmission means, plurality of light emitting elements, and a deflection element, and this is generic to the embodiments shown in Figures 17-63. The remaining claims read on one or more of the Species (B)-(N).

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0591, under Order No. 15250/006001 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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